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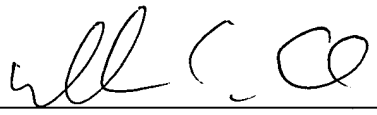
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It is respectfully requested that the references cited in the accompanying PTO-1449 form be considered and made of record. It is respectfully submitted that the pending claims are patentable over all of the references made of record at this time.

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### U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS

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	A01	6,283,075	Sep. 4, 01	SCHAEFER et al.	123	90,17	
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### OTHER REFERENCES (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)

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